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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP ART UNIT 1763**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For : WET PROCESSING USING A FLUID MENISCUS,
APPARATUS AND METHOD

Art Unit : 1763
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SIR:

This addresses the Office Action of November 22, 2005. Initially, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.